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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

**Application No.:** 10/580,238      **Examiner:** W. Dondero  
**Filing Date:** May 23, 2006      **Art Unit:** 3654  
**First Inventor:** Dirk COSTROP      **Customer No.:** 23364  
**Attorney No.:** COST3002/JJC/PMB      **Confirm. No.:** 1948  
**For:** DEVICE AND METHOD TO FEED AND ALIGN A WEB WITH  
INCREASED WEB STABILITY FOR PRINTING

**ELECTION IN RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION OF**  
**JANUARY 28, 2009**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450  
Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

This is responsive to the Office Action dated January 28, 2009 in the above application.

**ELECTION**

The applicant hereby elects species II, as represented in Figs. 9-13, for prosecution on the merits. The claims readable on the species of Figs. 9-13 are claims 19-24, 27, and 30-36, which are identified as generic, and claims 28 and 29.

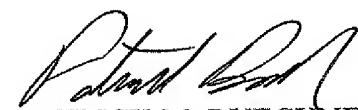
The applicant hereby reserves all rights to the non-elected subject matter.

If any issues remain that may be resolved by a telephone or facsimile communication with the applicant's attorney, the examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the numbers shown below.

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Respectfully submitted,

  
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